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A FEATHERED BONNET

Diplomat's Farewell

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In the Vatican Delegation's marble mansion on Washington's Embassy Row Apostolic Delegate Luigi Raimondi said farewell last night to friends he has made since his arrival in this capital in 1967.

The urbane Raimondi is returning to Rome where he will be one of the 30 new cardinals to be installed in the historic ceremony.

The Cardinal-Delegate received guests who climbed the marble stairs to the immense ornate drawing room.

PORTRAITS of George Washington, Archbishop Carroll of Baltimore, the first American bishop; Mother Seton, the first American saint; and Christopher Columbus adorn one wall. St. Peter and St. Paul are off to one side and magnificent tapestries cover another.

Diplomats alternately shook hands, kissed Raimondi's Archbishop's ring with a few even kneeling to kiss the ring.

John Cardinal Krol, Archbishop of Philadelphia, held his own court for a short while.

He had to return to Catholic University where earlier in the day Krol, the president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, made the principal address at the special convocation to confer honorary degrees on Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board Arthur Burns and philanthropist-art collector Nathan Cummings.

Last night, President of Catholic University Dr. Clarence C. Walton and Mrs. Walton gave a dinner for Dr. and Mrs. Burns and the Cummingses.

Raimondi, who is expected to wield much power during Pope Paul's expected reshuffle of the Vatican administration, is the possessor of another hat in addition to the Cardinal's biretta which he will assume in Rome. His latest is an Osage Chief's feathered war bonnet.

At his residence on Wednesday, The Pope's diplomat was made a member of the Osage Indian nation. Sylvester J.



Star-News Photographer Wellner Streets

Cardinal-Delegate Luigi Raimondi gets a farewell embrace last night from Nicaraguan Ambassador Sevilla-Sacasa.

Tinker, principal chief of the Osage Nation came up from Pawhuska, Okla., to invest his eminence.

In return Raimondi asked him to stay for last night's party.

THE TWO MEN met originally in Oklahoma when the Apostolic Delegate went there for an investiture of an Archbishop.

Last night Tinker met Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court John J. Sirica, Jr., who presided at the Watergate trials.

"We Osage often stay at the Watergate Hotel," Tinker told Sirica explaining that Osage chiefs are no longer hereditary but are elected and "being principal chief is a full time job for which I am paid \$75 a month."

SIRICA said he still gets considerable mail about the trial and he is hopeful that the Senate Investigative Commit-

tee can come up with some of the answers the trial did not.

The judge was one of the many distinguished guests of Italian descent or nationality. Sen John Pastore who usually avoids the cocktail circuit stopped by, explaining, "He is an old friend."

Rep. Frank Annunzio of Illinois, Antonio Marinelli, president of Intercounty Construction Corporation, Marinelli is the major contractor on the METRO construction here and Aldo Mazio, head of the Western European Economic Interests and Mrs. Mazio were on hand.

ITALIAN Ambassador and Mrs. Ortona, Uruguayan Ambassador and Mrs. Luisi and former Texas Rep. and Mrs. Clark Thompson were also there.

The Thompsons live next door to the Apostolic Delegation in a huge red brick house,

which in the days when it was frequented by JFK, Lyndon Johnson, Speaker Rayburn and other greats, was referred to informally as the Embassy of Texas.

The George Renchards could remember long ago when Raimondi, then a young monsignor, baptized their daughter Stellita in the Delegation's chapel.

The party, despite the ecclesiastical setting and the serenity of the host, soon took on the atmosphere of any Washington cocktail party after guests helped themselves over and over at the bar.

The Ortonas and Ambassador and Mrs. Walter Lerdan of Belgium were going on to Swiss Ambassador and Mrs. Felix Schnyder's dinner for the new Ambassador to Iran and Mrs. Richard Helms.

Schnyder came to Raimondi before his own party as did Lt. Gen. Vernon Walters, the deputy director of CIA.

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